

# New Star Born In Sky Crash, Jacoby Theory

## Collision of Two "Dead" Bodies May Account for Stranger Discovered by the Observers at Harvard

### Revealed by Photograph Luminary Might Be One With Habit of Disappear- ing, Another Explanation

Two theories offered yesterday by Dr. Harold Jacoby, Rutherford professor of astronomy at Columbia University, as possible explanations for the sudden appearance of the new star the discovery of which was announced Saturday by the Harvard College observatory, were that it either is the result of a collision between two "dead" stars or is one which disappears from sight for long intervals.

The stranger was first observed by the astronomers at Harvard on April 19, 1917, on a photographic plate of the heavens made on that date. It is the fifth of five new stars that have been observed by the Harvard observatory in five months under the direction of Acting Director, Solon I. Bailey, successor to the late Professor E. C. Pickering, who first used the camera to discover stars.

Dr. Jacoby said that to understand just how the discovery came about it was necessary to know the various means by which this has been done from the beginnings of astronomy. Before the telescope was perfected new stars were seen very rarely. They were noticed only if bright enough to be discernible to the unaided eye.

### Revolutionize by Photography

"After the telescope came into use," continued Dr. Jacoby, "it became possible to discover faint new luminaries, stars which were very right ones, and the possibility finally became almost a certainty when Professor Pickering applied the photographic method to the problem."

Dr. Jacoby explained that in the photographic method a telescope is used just as in observing with the eye, but the big lens is specially ground for photographic purposes and a sensitive plate replaces the human eye at the other end of the tube, thus the telescope becomes a camera especially adapted to astronomy.

The advantage of this method was emphasized by Dr. Jacoby, who said that while the eye could never see the faintest of stars, a sensitive plate is bound to record them, if not in a minute, then in an hour.

"Professor Pickering's method now being continued at Harvard," said Dr. Jacoby, "was to photograph the entire heavens on a series of plates at comparatively frequent intervals. These pictures were developed and filed for examination. A special branch observatory was established at Arequipa, Peru, to photograph the heavens of the Southern Hemisphere which cannot be reached from the observatory at Cambridge."

"The scientific importance of this observation comes from the desire of the astronomers to find out just how new solar systems get started. Light on this point we can hope to obtain only if we observe the details in many cases. Thus Pickering's method of attacking the problem by photography will be vindicated."

"What can cause the sudden increase in brightness of this new luminary?" Dr. Jacoby was asked.

### Collisions Reanimate Them

"Possibly we witness in these cases," he replied, "an actual collision of two stars which have in the course of centuries radiated all their light into space and thus become cold and dark. It is altogether probable that such dark

stars exist in great numbers, and that they still are moving in vast invisible orbits, just as bright stars move visibly. If such a collision took place the energy of motion would be arrested. The law of conservation of energy decrees that it must reappear in some other form, and that would reappear as heat. It might raise the temperature of the two colliding bodies so as to bring them once more to a state of incandescence and visible brilliancy.

"This is one attractive theory as to new stars, and the only theory that will explain some of the cases. Another possible theory is that we have to do with a star of regularly varying brilliancy, such as might be caused by an eclipse of the star. This might result from the star having a big satellite revolving around it and wholly or partially covering it from our view in the course of each revolution made by the satellite."

# Thomas Is Elected Director of World Labor Organization

## Six Conventions and Six Recommendations Voted at Washington Conference Are Adopted by Leaders

PARIS, Jan. 27.—Albert Thomas, the French labor leader, was unanimously elected director general of the International Labor Organization at today's session of the governing body here. This action ratifies the provisional nomination of Mr. Thomas for the office made at the labor conference at Washington in November.

The organization adopted the six conventions and six recommendations voted by the Washington conference. They were referred to the secretary of the league of nations, who will transmit them to the various governments for ratification.

Exception was taken by representatives of the employers of Sweden and Switzerland to the strict application of the eight-hour law to small trades and businesses.

### Washington, Jan. 27.—The draft conventions adopted by the International Labor Conference at its first meeting here last November were:

An eight-hour day and forty-eight-hour week; establishment of government agencies; prohibiting night work for women except in undertakings where only members of the family are employed; prohibiting the admission of children under twelve years of age to industrial work; prohibiting young persons, male or female, from working at night; and indemnification of wage earners in the case of accidents.

The convention will become effective in those countries ratifying them by July 1, 1921.

# Bondy Indorsed for Regent Republicans Favor Dual Representation on Committee

The executive committee of the Republican County Committee yesterday indorsed William Bondy, a well known lawyer member of the committee, for the State Board of Regents to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Abram I. Elkus, appointed by the Governor to the Court of Appeals bench.

It is understood that Colonel Michael Fridman also is a candidate for regent. The Legislature elects.

The executive committee went on record in favor of dual representation in the State committee dividing the membership equally with the women. An amendment to the election laws will be necessary if this finally is adopted. At the last meeting of the State Committee, Mrs. Arthur L. Livermore, chairman of the women's executive committee, strongly urged dual representation in the State Committee.

The executive committee discussed the Walton-Pearce and the Pellet convention bills, but took no action. Governor Smith is on record as saying that he will veto a bill for the restoration of the State Board of Regents, and the republicans wish to make sure that they will pass the bill before they go on record for it.

Washington, Jan. 27.—A demand that the Secretary of War advise Congress in his opinion the present condition of the United States army transport Powhatan "is not the deliberate action of Bolshevism aboard ship" is made in a resolution introduced in the House by Representative Britten, of Illinois.

Widespread disorders in army transports is charged in the resolution, which asserts that the officers on board the Powhatan, on which members of the crew were arrested and imprisoned, failed to maintain order.

The resolution calls upon the Secretary of War for copies of reports from the crew and chief officers of the Powhatan, and for a report on the other army transports relative to mutiny, theft, gambling and insubordination on their respective ships.

The charge that the disabling of the Powhatan was due to Bolshevism on board the army transport, as intimated in a resolution introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Britten, Republican, of Illinois, was declared yesterday to be without foundation by one of the ranking officers on board the Powhatan. During the entire trip only one man was under confinement, and that for a minor offense.

### Bull in Hotel's Bridal Suite

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 27.—Lodged in the bridal suite of a local hotel, a pure-bred, short-horned bull, formerly owned by President Wilson, is ready for the auction to-morrow, an event of the annual convention of the Southern Cattlemen's Association.

The animal brought \$10,000 at a Red Cross auction in Birmingham in 1915.

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The former Austrian passenger steamship Martha Washington, now an army transport and soon to be turned back to the United States Shipping Board, may be allocated to the Munson Line.

Frederick W. Egner, forty-nine, senior vice-president of the Fidelity Trust Company, died yesterday morning at his home, 390 Mount Prospect Avenue, Newark, of endocarditis. He was born in Orange, N. J., and educated in the public schools there.

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# Powhatan Gets Into Halifax After a Battle

## Captain Randall Reports All on Board Well, With the Exception of Three Men Who Are Slightly Ill

### Transport Nearly Lost Cutter Ossipee Smashed in Collision While Trying to Take Tow

HALIFAX, Jan. 27.—The disabled United States army transport Powhatan was towed into Halifax harbor at 7:30 this evening. Captain Randall, her commander, reported that with the exception of three men slightly ill all was well on board.

The safe arrival of the Powhatan with her crew of 150 men, ends a ten-day battle with incessant storms and extreme conditions of hardship, during which the vessel, then about 600 miles from land, sent out wireless appeals for aid. She then had on board 271 passengers, including women and children who passed through much suffering for five days before weather conditions permitted their transfer at night to the transport Northern Pacific.

The two German prisoners, discovered two days off Havre, in a lifeboat, and in had shape because of exposure and lack of food, said they slipped down from the mast of the ship, and were sent to Ellis Island for deportation.

The passengers were Stanislas St. Arce, proprietor of the Hotel de Ville, Paris; forty Americans of Polish and Czech-Slovak descent, who have been with the armies of those countries; Mme. Maria Barrientos, Spanish coloratura of the Metropolitan Opera Company; and the Countess de Chabrun, sister of Representative Nicholas Longworth, who was met at the pier by the Canadian government steamship Lady Laurier. The American destroyer Leary and Sharkey assisted the Lady Laurier in bringing the derelict to port, but just as it seemed their task would be successful another storm came up, and the ship was blown away.

### First Call for Help

The first radio call for help from the Powhatan was sent in a message to the Canadian government steamship Lady Laurier, which was being buffeted by a fast and furious gale, with her flag and the supply of food and light cut off, every additional radio call for assistance spurred rescuing vessels to renewed efforts. The Cedric was close by. As the days passed the fleet of rescuing craft grew, but as each fastened a line to the transport and started to tow the turbulent ocean snapped the thick hawsers.

Last Thursday the gale moderated and the Northern Pacific took off all the passengers without accident, although the transfer involved the risk of danger of such an undertaking at night.

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### Hawners Snap Again

Again the hawsers snapped and the Powhatan once more was adrift. In this almost hopeless situation, Captain Randall, commanding officer of the derelict, sent a radio intimation that he might be abandoned by his ship owing to her condition, which was fast becoming unseaworthy, and the increasing violence of the storm. But the weather calmed the next day and the Powhatan was able to abandon her ship, owing to the aid of sea going tug, she finally reached port at snail's pace.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 27.—The coast guard cutter Ossipee was almost wrecked on Saturday while trying to take the Powhatan in tow. A huge sea swept her crashing against the Lady Laurier's starboard bow, as she steamed past, and the ship was blown away, leaving three boats, the port rail, part of the pilot house and tearing away shrouds. The Lady Laurier suffered no serious damage.

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Line for South American service in place of the steamship Huron, it was learned yesterday.

The Maracaibo Washington is a vessel of 8,312 gross tons and was built in 1905. She was seized in April, 1917. Bids for the outright purchase of five of the former German ships also have been submitted by the Munson Line to the Shipping Board, it was learned yesterday.

# Body of Don Martin Arrives From France

## Rumored on Main Deck of Liner Dropped in Mourning as Honor to Noted Correspondent

The body of Don Martin, war correspondent of "The New York Herald," who died in Paris of pneumonia during the war, arrived here yesterday on the ship of the Atlantic Cable Service, died Sunday of pneumonia at St. Agnes Hospital at Philadelphia. He was employed before the war by the Walter S. Lucksbach Steamship Company, and during the war he made many trips across the Atlantic on the ships of that company which were taken over by the government for the use of troops.

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### MARRIAGES

APPEL—POPPER—On January 26, 1920, at the Hotel Astor, Ottilie Popper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Popper, 71 East 88th St., and George I. Appel, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Goldberg, 122 East 82d St., were united in marriage.

COOKE—RICHMOND—At St. Peter's Church, Morristown, N. J., January 24, by the Rev. William Richmond, his daughter, Miss Elizabeth Cooke, to Mr. Samuel Richmond, of Morristown, N. J.

SANDLER—DAMSKY—Mr. Maurice Sandler, of Boston and Harvard Club, and Miss Estelle Damsky, of Borough Park, Brooklyn, were united in marriage at the Hotel Majestic, New York City, by the Rev. Dr. Stephen S. Wise officiating. Boston papers please copy.

### DEATHS

ALLIGER—On January 26, 1920, Richard Dyerik Alliger, in the 72nd year of his age, husband of the late Anna A. Alliger (nee Kisean) and father of Frances Alliger, died at his home, 1070 Dean Street, Brooklyn, of pneumonia. He was a member of the United States Army and was a member of the United States Army.

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BLUMENKRANZ—On January 26, 1920, after a short illness, in her 33rd year, Dolly Welner Blumenkrantz, wife of Edward M. Blumenkrantz, died at her home, 1555 Seventh Avenue, New York City, of pneumonia. She is survived by her husband and two daughters. The funeral will be tomorrow from her late residence, 1555 Seventh Avenue.

BOYAN—On Saturday, January 24, 1920, Annie, beloved wife of Thomas Boyan, of Milltown, Pa., died at her home, 1070 Dean Street, Brooklyn, of pneumonia. She was a member of the United States Army and was a member of the United States Army.

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